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TEXTBOOK DATA RELEASED; NEWSPAPER DELIVERY SPEEDED

CURRENT TEXTBOOK STATISTICS REPORTED -- Kuliture i Zhizni, No 17, 21 Jun 49

The following data has been released on the publishing of textbooks for the 1949-50 ashool year; as of 20 June 1949:

Republic .	Fuifillment of Plan(in %	books Printed (in thousands of copies)
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Uchpedgiz	53.5	59 ,7 44
Autonomous republics and oblasts	39.1	2,388
(as of 10 June)	•	
Ukrainien ESR	66. 0	26,623
Beloressian SER	6 0.4	3,020
Uzbek SSR	24.2	1,7kh
Kazakh SSR	6 9.0	2,486
Georgian SSR	3 9.8	1,235
Azerbaydzhan SSR	40.4	1,093
Lithuanian: SER	55.5	77?
Moldavian SSR	68.4	1,627
Letvian SSR	56. 4	790
Kirgis SER	51. 0	561
Tadzhik SSR	70.2	983
Armonian SSR	59.0	1,418
Turkmen SSR	3.9.3	290
Estonian SSE	73-4	954
Karelo-Finnish SSP.	<u>31.1</u>	14
Total	60.4	105,147

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NEWSPAPER SHIPMENTS SPEEDED -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 109, 11 May 49

The Khabarovsk Krey Communications Administration has organized daily transport of the newspapers Pravda and Tikhookeanskaya gvezda by truck along the Khabarovsk-Pereyaslavka-Bichevaya route. Shipment of publications to the Rayon imeni Lazo was previously done by railroad, with the result that newspapers arrived at least one day late, and as many as 3 or 4 days late in Bichevaya. Residents of Pereyaslavka, Khor, and other populated centers are now able to receive the kray newspaper on the day of its publication.

LATVIAN POLITICAL POSTERS CRITICIZED -- Sovetskaya Latviye, No 215, 10 Sep 1948

The Seviet political poster, as an art and a form of mass agitation, has become particularly important in the Latvian SSR since the liberation of that Republic. Between November 1944 and August 1948, 160 posters with 1,446,350 copies have been published in the Latvian SSR. The subject matter of the posters can be roughly divided into those devoted to historical dates, to political campaigns, and to fulfillment of the postwar Five-Year Plan. One hundred and thirty of these posters, 1,254.000 copies have been published. Seventeen posters, 170,000 copies, were published on agricultural subjects and peasants pledges. Thirteen posters, 52,350 copies, have been devoted to popular science and to mass participation in military science activities and sports.

The Latvian Publishing House has not produced a sufficient quantity of these posters and many of them are on a low artistic level. Many of the artist were trained in pre-Soviet Latvia where the poster was only an advertisement form, and many of the posters thus lack political feeling and a clearly defined message. The publishers have had 15 artists, most of them new to the work, on these posters, but recently several new and more able artists have been enlisted in this work by the State Pulishing House.

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